

STATUS REPORT
 SUBJECT: **ARMED FORCES PARTICIPATION IN TEST OPERATIONS (AEC 153/8)**
 DATE: 1950

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AEC 153/8 circulated for Commission consideration of report by the Director of Military Application regarding the problem of obtaining the views of the Atomic Energy Commission on those aspects of the report of the Joint Proof Test Committee (JCS 1998/13) which are of interest to the Commission, in order that planning and preparation for the 1951 test may proceed on a firm basis. The report recommended that the Commission:

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- a. Agree that those aspects of the report of the Joint Proof Test Committee (JCS 1998/13) which are of interest to the Commission are generally satisfactory;
- b. Note that a letter such as that in the Appendix will be sent to the MLC, requesting Joint Chiefs of Staff concurrence in the delegation of the Commission's authority to General Quesada, as was proposed in the Commission's letter of December 23, 1949, to the Commanding General, JTF 3;
- c. Note that the "Allocation of Costs Agreement" (part A of Enclosure "M" to JCS 1998/13) is satisfactory, although slightly less flexible than originally anticipated;
- d. Note that an expression of reassurance is being requested with regard to any major change or reduction of Armed Forces commitments for participation in the test operation;
- e. Note that the staff will undertake to coordinate publication of the "Fiscal and Accounting Principles" (Enclosure "M" to JCS 1998/13) in a revised version, classified "For Official Use Only";
- f. Note the designation of Dr. Alvin C. Graves as the Scientific Director, the Task Force Commander's Deputy for Scientific Affairs, and the Commander, Task Group 3.1 (Scientific Group);
- g. Note that Colonel George F. Schlatter of the Division of Military Application will join the Task Force Staff during test operations as Executive to the Deputy for Scientific Affairs;
- h. Note that other AEC personnel will join the Task Force for test operations in their capacities as required.

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Feb. Memorandum dispatched to the Commander, Joint Task Force Three by the Division of Military Application advising that the AEC concurs in the downgrading of "Fiscal and Accounting Principles," (Enclosure "M" to JCS 1998/13) in a revised version, (see e above).

1 March At Meeting 376 the Commission considered AEC 153/8. The Commission:

Approved the recommendation of AEC 153/8.

2 March Memorandum, such as that in the Appendix of AEC 153/8, dispatched to the MLC requesting Joint Chiefs of Staff concurrence in the delegation of the Commission's authority to General Quesada, and requesting an expression of reassurance with regard to any major change or reduction of Armed Forces commitments for participation in the test operations.

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